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ONLINE SCHOLARSHIP .
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government proposes to start Online Scholarship facility to the students for various stages at education;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) If not, whether the existing National Merit Scholarship Scheme is likely to be revised; and

(d) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (d) CBSE and UGC have signed MOUs with ICICI Bank for electronic disbursement of scholarships to the accounts of scholarship holders, under the following scholarship schemes:

(1) CBSE Merit Scholarship Scheme for Professional Studies.

(2) CBSE Merit Scholarship Scheme for Under-Graduate Courses.

(3) UGC Indira Gandhi PG Scholarship for Single Girl Child.

(4) UGC Post-Graduate Merit Scholarship to University Rank Holders.

Students can also withdraw money using ICICI Bank ATM Cards / Smart Cards. This might serve as a model.

Normally, the Plan Schemes require fresh sanction for the new plan period and at that time they may undergo modifications based on feedbacks. It is unlikely that the National Merit Scholarship Scheme would get revised during the current plan period.